

27 February 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 27 February 1969

DD/I reported negative results on Task Force LOOKOUT.

Godfrey noted the lower degree of Communist offensive activity in Vietnam.

Godfrey observed that the Soviets appear to be rotating divisions outside Berlin.

Maury reported Senator Margaret Chase Smith's expressions of regret at being off the CIA Subcommittee.

Maury noted that Senator Baker may be available for a 6 March evening visit to CIA.

Maury reported that DD/ONE and DD/S&T will be briefing Senator Jackson this afternoon. The Director asked that DD/ONE read his testimony of yesterday prior to the briefing.

\*Maury reported Congressman Pike's interest in obtaining the names of 303 Committee members. The Director asked that he be referred to the White House and encouraged Maury to get additional information on Congressman Pike's experience and role in Congress.

\*Maury noted that Senator Gore is asking for NVN troop strength figures in South Vietnam. The Director asked that he be provided CIA-derived totals.

\* Maury related that Senators Fulbright and Gore want a breakdown on costs of various Soviet strategic weapons. The Director noted that, per his agreement with Bruce Clarke, we will provide such data only after the Pentagon has responded to Senator Hart's request.

Maury related the highly favorable and unsolicited remarks from Senators Symington, Mansfield, and Fulbright on the Director's testimony of yesterday.

Maury reported that Senators McClellan and Jackson will arrive here at 0800 Saturday.

25X1 D/ONE noted that there are very few differences on the Estimates to be considered at today's USIB meeting. [REDACTED]

25X1 ADD/S reported that Indiana University is taking the initiative to cancel Agency on-campus recruiting. He noted that Congressman Bray has been informed.

25X1 \*Houston reported that [REDACTED] will receive the Donovan award on 22 April. The Director asked that Houston handle this as he has in the past.

DD/P reported on his appearance yesterday before a Basic Foreign Service Course. Some attendees (8-10) were students who had not been required to undergo all aspects of the Foreign Service examination and were obviously less privileged. The question-and-answer period went well.

Executive Director reported that Bureau of the Budget Director Mayo is to be briefed tomorrow on Soviet space developments in connection with the Bureau's review of the NASA budget. After some discussion the Director asked that Mr. Mayo be given the option of having the briefing take place in the FMSAC Operations Center.

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The Director reported that he has been asked by the Postmaster General to nominate a qualified person who might be available for the post of chief of their investigative division. The Director briefly described the job and asked each to make an effort to provide the names of possible candidates. The individual need not be a former employee but could be an individual that would welcome a tour in the Post Office Department.

The Director related that the briefing of Senator McClellan on Saturday will probably last two or three hours, commencing with breakfast and followed by his describing the organization of CIA and some mention of our reservations about the Ervin bill. The Deputy Directors will then describe their activities in an informal manner, and he urged that these presentations be peppered with examples and interesting insights.

The Director noted that tomorrow at 10 a.m. he will be meeting with all those concerned with the Ervin bill in an effort to determine what price we may be prepared to pay to push our position.

Goodwin reported a request from [ ] for an affidavit testifying to the effect that he has never been employed by the Agency. The Director commented that we should never provide such affidavits.

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L. K. White

Late Item

\*The Director asked the DD/I to review the transcript of yesterday's testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in order to correct any errors of fact or data as opposed to judgments or views. He also asked Maury to see that notes and briefing materials left with the Committee's clerk-steno are returned promptly.

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